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#### PART I EXTRAORDINARY

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## NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

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# GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT (SC.II)

THE ANDHRA PRADESH STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION RIGHT TO INFORMATION RULES, 2021.

# [G.O.Ms.No.141, General Administration (SC.II), 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.] NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under section 28 (1) read with sub section (2) (iv) of the Right to Information Act 2005 (Act No. 22 of 2005) and all enabling provisions in that behalf, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following Rules for carrying out the provisions of the Right to Information Act 2005:

#### 1. Short title Commencement and, application:

- (i) These Rules may be called the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission Right to Information Rules, 2021.
- (ii) They shall come into force with effect from the date of publication in the Official Gazette.
- (iii) These Rules shall be applicable to the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission.

### 2. Definitions: In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

a) "Act" means the Right to Information Act 2005.

"State Public Information Officer" means the Public Relations Officer of the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission as designated by the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission under section 5 (1) of the Right to Information Act.

In the absence of the Public Relations Officer, for any reason, any other officer of the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission, as ordered by the Chairperson of the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission, from time to time, shall be the "State Public Information Officer".

b) "Public Relations Officer" means the Public Relations Officer, Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission.

#### 3. Request for furnishing information:

Any request for obtaining information shall be accompanied with a fee of Rs.10/- (Rupees Ten only) paid by way of adhesive Court fee stamps, demand draft, pay order or postal order and the complete address of the applicant for communication.

#### 4. Fee for providing the information:

- (i) The fee payable for providing the information except by way of inspection of documents or records shall be Rs.2/- per each page of information (foolscap size), or as prescribed by the competent authority from time to time and such fee shall be paid by way of adhesive court fee stamps, demand draft, pay order or postal order. And.
- (ii) There shall be no fee for inspection of documents or records for the first hour, and a fee of Rs.5/- for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof, shall be paid by way of adhesive court fee stamps, demand draft, pay order or postal order.

#### 5. Procedure regarding inspection of documents:

For the purpose of inspection of documents or records, the applicant shall not cause any hindrance to the office work and shall cooperate with the staff and complete the inspection as soon as possible. The State Public Information Officer shall have the right to fix the time and date of the inspection according to administrative convenience and his/her decision shall be final.

### 6. Information to be provided in the form of certified copies:

Information as requested by the party shall be provided in the form of certified copies/photo copies attested by the State Public Information Officer. The Applicant shall not be entitled to take the originals from the custody of the Officer/Sections concerned.

#### 7. Register to be maintained:

The State Public Information Officer shall cause maintenance of a Register in the format as per the appendix and make necessary entries in the Register in the format as per the appendix and make necessary entries in the Register with regard to the requests received and processed.

#### Appeal:

The Secretary of Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission shall be the Officer to whom an appeal can be preferred under section 19(1) of the Act. In the absence of the Secretary, for any reason, the Deputy Registrar – cum – Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chairperson and in his absence any other officer (as ordered by the Hon'ble Chairperson) of the Andhra Pradesh State Human Rights Commission shall be the officer to whom an appeal can be preferred under section 19(1) of the RTI Act:

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